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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: MILITARY TRAINING

REF: A) LAGOS 3540, B) TELCON 4/7 AMBASSADOR/AF/W
DIRECTOR

1. COMPREHENSIVE REPLY LAGOS 3540 HAS BEEN RESEARCHED, IS
BEING DRAFTED AND CLEARED, AND SHOULD REACH YOU EARLY
NEXT WEEK.

2. THIS MESSAGE ONLY INTENDED INFORM YOU MEANING OF
INQUIRY YOU RECEIVED TODAY FROM FMG ABOUT AIR FORCE
TRAINING. LETTER OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE (LOA) FOR 1977
AIR FORCE TRAINING (CASE NI-TAN) SENT TO FMG NOVEMBER 29,
1976. FMG HAD UNTIL DECEMBER 29 TO SIGN BUT WAS GRANTED
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EXTENSION. LOA SIGNED BY FMG JANUARY 5, 1977. LOA STATES,
AND FMG FULLY AWARE, THAT ENTIRE PROGRAM OF AIR FORCE
TRAINING IN 1977 COSTS \$2.27 MILLION AND IS PAYABLE IN
ADVANCE. FMG ALSO AWARE THAT NI-TAN COULD NOT BE PRO-
CESSED UNTIL ADVANCE PAYMENT RECEIVED. TRAINING UNDER
NI-TAN WAS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN MARCH. SOME TRAINING
CAN BE POSTPONED, BUT THE HIGH-PRIORITY C-130 TRAINING

FOR FOUR NAF OFFICERS REQUIRES TWO MONTHS OF SPECIAL ENGLISH TRAINING WHICH BEGINS WEEK OF APRIL 11. USAF CALLED IN NIGERIAN DEFENSE ATTACHE FALOPE APRIL 6 TO REMIND HIM THAT NO MONEY YET RECEIVED FOR NI-TAN AND THAT C-130 TRAINING SLOTS WOULD HAVE TO BE CANCELLED UNLESS PAYMENT RECEIVED AND OFFICERS PROCESSED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY.

3. COMPREHENSIVE MESSAGE IN PREPARATION INFORMS YOU ABOUT PAYMENTS FOR TRAINING DUE TO USAF AND ALL OTHER SERVICES. WE HOPE YOU WILL HAVE IT IN HAND BEFORE HAVING TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM IN DETAIL WITH THE NIGERIANS. MEANWHILE, BECAUSE THE QUESTION OF C-130 TRAINING IS EXTREMELY URGENT, WE ARE WEIGHING ADVISABILITY OF SEEKING WAIVER OF PAYMENT TO USAF UNTIL TRAINING ACTUALLY RECEIVED (AS HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED FOR SOME ARMY TRAINING), BUT ONLY CERTAIN SOLUTION WOULD BE FOR FMG TO PAY IMMEDIATELY AS AGREED ON JANUARY 5.

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